

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Disclosed herein is a pickup feed mechanism in which the joint and the feed screw can engage with each other in a desirable manner. The joint (23) is fastened at one end to a slide member (21) that holds a pickup. The joint (23) has, at the other end, an engagement part (231) that is shaped like a projection. The engagement part (231) is located between a top cover (32) and the feed screw (24) and engaged with the screw portion (241) of the feed screw (24). The joint (23) also has, as the other end, a projection (232) that protrude away from the engagement part (231). The projection (232) abuts on the top cover (32) before the engagement part (231) disengages from the screw portion (241), when the joint (23) moves away from the screw portion (241) as it receive vibration or an impact. Thus, the engagement part (231) is prevented from coming out of the screw portion (241).